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~~AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION~~

On pages 9 and 10, please replace the paragraph starting with "As shown in", at page 9, line 18 through page 10, line 14, with the following:

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As shown in FIG. 3 ~~FIG. 3A~~, the R&A system 300 includes R&A server software 310 that executes on server system 20, and interfaces, in one embodiment of the invention, to R&A client software 330 that executes at client system 10. In one embodiment of the invention, as shown in FIG. 3 ~~FIG. 3B~~, R&A server software 310 interfaces to an Internet software browser 320, executing on client system 10. The Internet software browser 320, executing on client system 10, includes the R&A client software 330 that executes as a JAVA<sup>®</sup> applet 325 at client system 10. The R&A client software 330 typically resides on server system 20, and is transmitted from server system 20 to client system 10 for execution at client system 10 under control of a JAVA<sup>®</sup> virtual machine (not shown) incorporated in the Internet software browser 320. JAVA<sup>®</sup> is a software specification from Sun Microsystems of Mountainview, California for executing a custom computer application in association with a web browser at the client system. JAVA<sup>®</sup> is a registered trademark of Sun Microsystems. The R&A server software 310 and R&A client software 330 communicate using the HyperText Transfer Protocol (HTTP) for requesting and delivering data and the HyperText Mark-up Language (HTML) for encoding the data. The HTTP protocol, JAVA<sup>®</sup> and HTML are well known to those of ordinary skill in the art, and thus there it is not necessary to describe them in further detail here.

On pages 16 and 17, please replace the paragraph starting with "Having described" on page 16, line 20 through page 17, last line, with the following:

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Having described the process for assigning media content for review, according to the invention, the review functionality of the present invention will now be described. R&A system 300 will be further described with reference to video data. However, the invention is not limited to video data, but encompasses media content including but not limited to audio data, and graphical data. ~~The invention~~ In a preferred embodiment of the invention, R&A system 300 is invoked at server system 20 by directing an Internet web browser 320 at client system 10 to

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contact a specific URL associated with R&A system 300, as earlier described. After a reviewer "logs on" to R&A system 300, the reviewer is presented with a list of assignments for review. Each assignment includes one or more video clips for review. A video clip consists of a series of video frames in digital form. Each video frame from the clip is associated with a timecode that uniquely identifies the video frame. In one practice of the invention, the video clips are encoded according to the ~~Quicktime~~ QUICKTIME format from Apple Computer of Cupertino, California. However, one of ordinary skill in the art will recognize that the present invention is not limited or restricted to the ~~Quicktime~~ QUICKTIME format, and other encoding formats may be used to practice the invention. The video clips for review are digitally stored on server system 20 and transmitted to client system 10 for playing the video clips during the review process. Consequently, client system 10 includes a video player to play the appropriate format. If the media content is audio, the audio is digitized prior to storage at server system 20, and partitioned into audio frames, having an appropriate number of digital samples for providing reviewer comments. The audio frames are ordered in a well-defined manner to uniquely identify them.

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On page 19, please replace the paragraph starting with "FIG.13", from lines 10-16, with the following:

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FIG. 13 shows a second comment ~~1320~~ 1310 that has been entered into the comment window 1140 by a reviewer. The second comment ~~1320~~ 1310 is associated with a video frame having timecode 01:00:11:08. A second history record ~~1320~~ is stored in the history window 1150. As was earlier discussed, the history window 1150 includes a history of all the comments made by a reviewer, and thus the first comment 1220 by the reviewer at timecode 01:00:07:10 is also included in the history window 1150.

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